

IN THE CLAIMS:

Kindly replace the claims of record with the following full set of claims:

1. (Currently amended) A method for customizing a subscription plan, the method comprising the steps of:

receiving a plurality of programs from a plurality of channels;

monitoring each of said plurality of programs watched by a user to generate a user profile indicative of a frequency of a particular program being watched by said user;

recommending a plurality of channels and programs as a subscription plans
~~subscription plans~~ based on said user profile;

~~selecting at least one of the plurality of subscriptions plans; and~~

selecting at least one of said programs ~~program associated with one of the~~
~~selected~~ ~~select at least one subscription plans, and~~

determining a payment plan based on said subscription plan and program
selection.

~~wherein the selecting of at least one of the plurality of subscription plans is based~~
~~in part on payment plans for the plurality of subscription plans.~~

2. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:

selecting at least one channel associated with ~~one of the select at least one~~
~~subscription plans~~ said subscription plan interactively in response to a user's input.

3. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the steps of:
storing said selected program in a storage medium for subsequent replay, and charging
said user only for the subsequently viewed program.
4. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of ~~for~~
displaying said selected program for viewing.
5. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, further comprising the step of:
updating the content of said user profile to reflect said user's changing preference.
6. (Currently amended) The method of claim 1, wherein the step of monitoring each
of said plurality of programs watched by said user further comprises the step of:
classifying the content of said plurality of programs according to predetermined criteria.
7. (Original) The method of claim 6, wherein said classification of each of said plurality
of programs watched is performed according to an electronic program guide (EPG).
8. (Original) The method of claim 1, wherein said step of the selection of programs is
performed interactively in response to said user's input.
9. (Currently amended) A method for customizing a subscription plan for a viewer,
the method comprising the steps of:

generating at least one ~~on~~ user profile indicating said viewer's preference for a particular program;

comparing said user profile with incoming programs from a plurality of channels to determine a match;

if there is match, recommending said matched programs to said viewer for future subscription; and

selecting at least one matched program, associated with a future subscription, for viewing at a particular time, and

determining a payment plan based on said user profile and program selection.

~~wherein the selecting the future subscription is based in part on payment plans for the subscription.~~

10. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising the step ~~[[f]]~~ of storing said selected program in a storage medium for subsequent replay.

11. (Original) The method of claim 10, wherein said step of the selection of programs is performed interactively in response to said user's input.

12. (Currently amended) The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of: displaying said selected program for viewing.

13. (Original) The method of claim 9, further comprising the step of: updating the content of said at least one user profile to reflect said viewer's changing preference.

14. (Currently amended) A system for customizing a subscription plan, comprising
the steps of:

means for receiving a plurality of programs ~~[[for]]~~ from a plurality of channels;

means for detecting each of said plurality of programs watched by a user to
generate a user profile, said user profile indicative of said user's preference for a
particular program;

means for recommending a ~~plurality of~~ subscription ~~plan plans~~ based on said user
profile;

~~means for selecting at least one of the plurality of subscriptions plans; and~~

means for selecting at least one program associated with a ~~select one of the at~~
least one subscription plans, and

means for determining a payment plan based on said subscription plan and
program selection.

~~wherein the selecting of at least one of the plurality of subscription plans is based~~
~~in part on payment plans for the plurality of subscription plans.~~

15. (Currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising means for:
selecting at least one channel associated with a ~~select one of the select at least one~~ said
subscription plan plans.

16. (Currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
an input means for performing the selection of channels interactively by said user.
17. (Currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
means for storing said selected program for subsequent retrieval.
18. (Currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
means for displaying said selected program for viewing.
19. (Currently amended) The system of claim 14, further comprising:
means for updating the content of said user profile to reflect said user's changing
preference.
20. (Original) The system of claim 14, wherein the content of said user profile is
classified according to predetermined criteria.